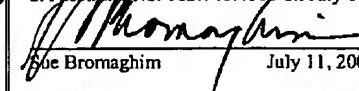




1/3

<u>Certificate of Transmission Under 37 CFR 1.8</u>	
<p>I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Facsimile No. 703.746.4009 on July 11, 2005.</p> <p> Sue Bromaghim</p> <p>July 11, 2005</p>	

CUSTOMER NO. 36257

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Thomas McWAID et al.		
Title:	System for Sensing a Sample		
Application No.:	10/729,609	Filing Date:	December 5, 2003
Examiner:	Daniel Sean LARKIN	Group Art Unit:	2856
Docket No.:	TNCR.169US2	Conf. No.:	2888

MailStop Issue Fee
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE ACCOMPANYING ISSUE FEE PAYMENT

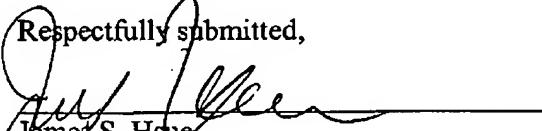
Sir:

The undersigned hereby submits these Comments on the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance (originally generated by the document accompanying the initial Notice of Allowance, dated November 4, 2004), and accompanying the issue fee payment due in this matter on July 11, 2005:

The undersigned disagrees with the Examiner regarding the following:

Claims 84, 85 contain the features of (1) an apparatus comprising a probe and at least a first and a second tip; and (2) the second tip comprises a nanotube, instead of the features recited in the examiner's statement.

Dated: July 11, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

 James S. Hsue
 Reg. No. 29,545